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SUBJ: IATTC MEETING; EMBARGO ON SPANISH TUNA

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1. EMBOFF TOOK UP DEC. 15-19 MEETING OF IATTC WITH
SPANISH FISHERIES BUREAU OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF IATTC
AFFAIRS AND WAS INFORMED THAT MOST PERSONNEL CONCERNED
WITH FISHERIES WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE MEETING OF THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE SOUTHEAST ATLANTIC
FISHERIES WHICH SPAIN IS SCHEDULED TO HOST ON DECEMBER 11-
17 IN MADRID. SPANISH PARTICIPATION IN DEC. IATTC MEETING
THEREFORE DOUBTFUL.

2. OFFICIAL ALSO TOLD EMBOFF HE HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT
EMBARGO ON US IMPORTS OF SPANISH YELLOWFIN TUNA EVIDENTLY
IN EFFECT. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FISHERIES HOWEVER, HAS NOT
HAD TIME TO OBTAIN REPORTS FROM THE FEW SPANISH VESSELS IN
IATTC AREA AND WILL SHORTLY BE CONSIDERING MATTER FURTHER.
IN THIS CONNECTION, CONCERNED GOS OFFICIALS WOULD APPRECIATE
WORD ON WHETHER SPANISH INTENTION TO ENFORCE IATTC RULES ON
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ITS FISHERMEN BEING CONSIDERED BY USG IN ITS APPLICATION OF

BAN ON IMPORTS OF SPANISH YELLOWFIN TUNA.

3. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO RECALL THAT SPAIN IS NOT A MEMBER OF IATTC AND THAT ITS ENTRY INTO THAT ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN DELAYED BY ITS LACK OF FORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH MEXICO AND THE RECENT TENSION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES OVER UN-RELATED MATTERS. EMBASSY'S CONTACT IN FISHERIES BUREAU STATED HE HAD REITERATED SPAIN'S WILLINGNESS JOIN IATTC AT OCTOBER MEETING. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE LATEST WORD FROM DEPARTMENT ON THIS SITUATION.
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